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Re: *Generic Docket to Establish UNE Prices for Line Sharing per FCC 99-355 and Riser Cable and Terminating Wire as Ordered in TRA Docket No. 98-00123*
Docket No. 00-00544

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen copies of BellSouth's responses to the supplemental clarification questions from the Staff relating to BellSouth's responses to the Staff's data request of July 26, 2001. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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Enclosure

Request: As of June 30, 2001, what is the percentage of loops served by NGDLC in Tennessee?

Response: As of June 30, 2001, 10.0% of the in service loops in Tennessee were being served by NGDLC.

BellSouth's previous response (6.4%) to this Staff Data Request only counted a subset of in-service F1 pairs (that is, working loop feeder pairs that run from the central office to the Digital Loop Carrier ("DLC") remote terminal) rather than the total quantity of in-service F2 pairs (that is, working loop distribution pairs that run from the DLC remote terminal to the customer's premises) serving end users. The subset did not include certain brands of NGDLC systems present in BellSouth's network.

It was discovered during the preparation of this Staff Data Request response that Mr. Milner's testimony during the hearing that 14.6% of the loops in Tennessee were served by NGDLC is incorrect. Due to a computer query programming error, Mr. Milner was inadvertently provided a number that represented the sum of in-service F1 pairs and F2 pairs served by NGDLC in Tennessee instead of only in-service F2 pairs.

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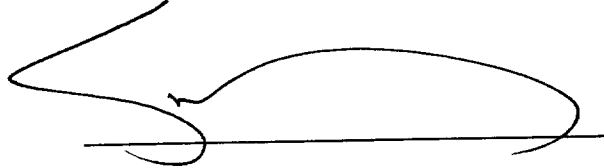
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